TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 750 - SB 1046

March 10, 2017

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires every agent that provides electronic monitoring to persons required to wear such monitors to report all violations within 24 hours and to provide data and website access to probation officers. Prohibits the release of any person ordered to wear an electronic monitoring device until such device is installed.

Creates the Electronic Monitoring Fund within the Treasury. Monies within the fund may be used to assist indigent defendants with paying for monitoring services.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenue – \$693,600/Electronic Monitoring Fund

Increase State Expenditures – \$693,600/General Fund \$693,600/Electronic Monitoring Fund

Assumptions:

- The proposed legislation adds a new section to title 40, chapter 28, part 6, which addresses various matters of probation and parole. However, the proposed legislation only refers to probation officers. For this reason, it is assumed that the proposed legislation only applies to individuals on probation that are required to wear an electronic monitoring device.
- The Department of Correction (DOC) supervises probation for all felons. According to the DOC, 770 probationers were electronically monitored in 2016. It is assumed that 770 offenders are monitored by DOC and its probation officers each year.
- It is assumed that 75 percent (770 offenders x 0.75 = 578 offenders) of these offenders are indigent and will require some financial assistance from the Electronic Monitoring Fund.
- It is assumed that each will require the maximum \$100 per month available per offender for an entire year.
- The proposed legislation will increase recurring state expenditures by \$693,600 (578 offenders x \$100 per month x 12 months).
- The proposed legislation does not provide a funding source for the Electronic Monitoring Fund. It is assumed that the necessary monies will be appropriated from the General Fund.

• The proposed legislation will increase state revenue to the Electronic Monitoring Fund by \$693,600 and increase state expenditures from the General Fund by \$693,600.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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